



# Urban Ecology Internships

## Work and Learn in a National Park

The Greater Washington National Parks preserve, protect and manage significant natural and cultural resources. The 14 national parks are a diverse collection of suburban and natural areas in the states of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia, and the District of Columbia. Working in one of our units offers interns the unique opportunity to learn about issues in urban ecology.

### Internships

Internships are available for graduate, undergraduate, and qualified high school students. These internships are an excellent way to learn new skills and consider a career with the National Park Service while gaining valuable experience and new insights. Internships are appropriate to students interested in many fields including science, natural resource management, science communication and writing, and social sciences.

### Dates and Duration

Internships are 6-10 weeks, beginning in May-June 2008. Dates are flexible, with a minimum commitment of six weeks. Part-time appointments are available, depending on tasks or projects. Some positions may require working on weekends. Limited park housing may be available.

### Stipend

Interns are paid a stipend of \$250 per week.



Intern sampling vegetation at Catocin Mountain Park, MD

### Duties and Responsibilities

Internships are flexible in nature and offer broadly defined experiences related to natural resource management such as curation, monitoring, research, and public outreach.

Examples of assigned duties may include:

- restoring disturbed habitats,
- developing media information,
- conducting resource inventories and surveys,
- inputting data into a computer,
- working as field assistants on research projects,
- assisting managers with day-to-day tasks, and
- conducting literature reviews.

### How to Apply

Application materials are available at the Center for Urban Ecology website:

[www.nps.gov/cue](http://www.nps.gov/cue)

or can be requested from

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Applications are due on 15 May 2008.